### Tensor Factorization via Matrix Factorization

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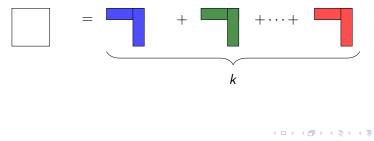
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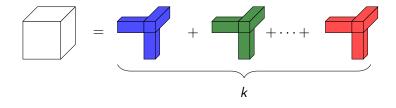
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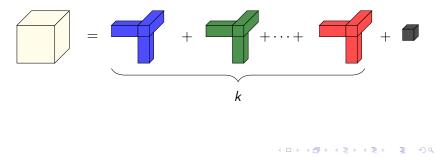
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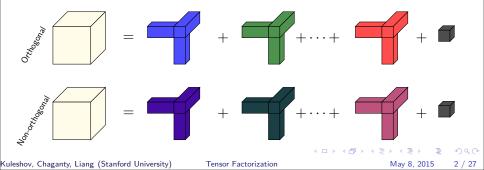
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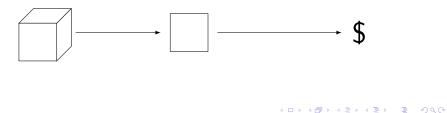
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### Outline

#### Tensor factorization

#### Tensor factorization via matrix factorization Single matrix factorizations Simultaneous matrix factorizations Oracle projections Bandom projections

#### Non-orthogonal tensor factorization

#### Empirical results

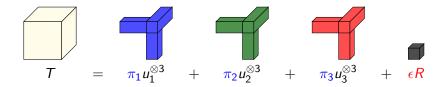
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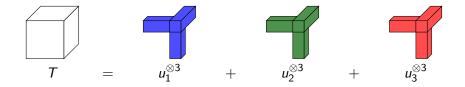
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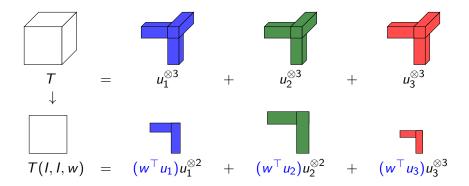
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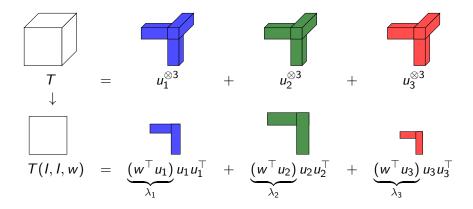


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Proposal: Eigen-decomposition on the projected matrix.

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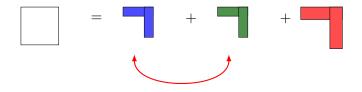
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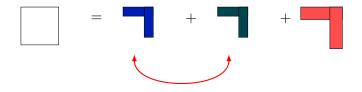


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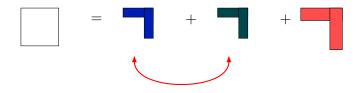


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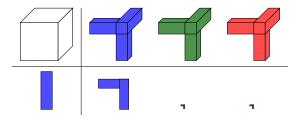
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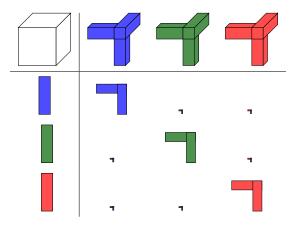
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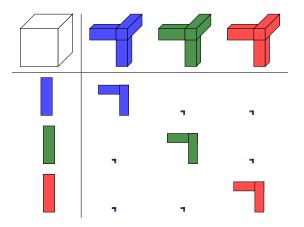
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How can we leverage multiple projections?

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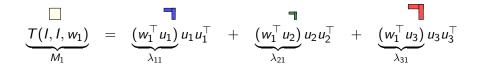
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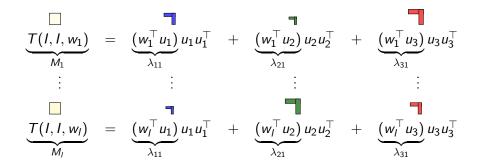
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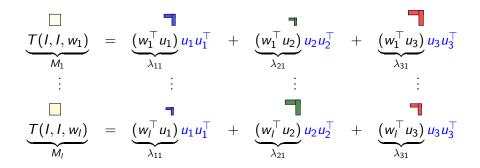


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#### Projections share factors.

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- Multiple projections proposed in Anandkumar, Hsu, and Kakade 2012, but didn't use simultaneous diagonalization.

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### Comparison with single matrix factorization

Single matrix factorization depends on minimum eigengap.

error in factors  $\propto \frac{1}{\min_{i,j} \text{ difference in eigenvalues}}$ .

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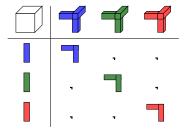
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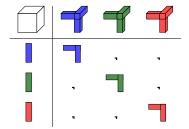
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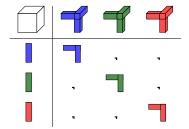
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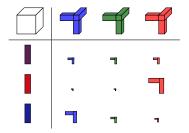
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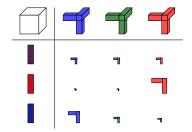
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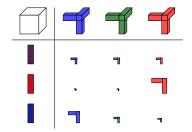
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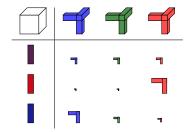
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 As good as having oracle projections!

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### Final algorithm

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#### Algorithm:

Project tensor on to O(k log k) random vectors.

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- Return factors *ũ<sub>i</sub>* from simultaneous diagonalization.

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### Naive approach: whitening non-orthogonal factors



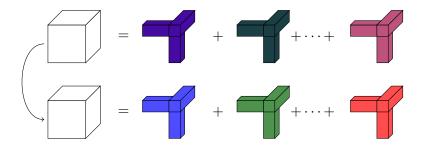
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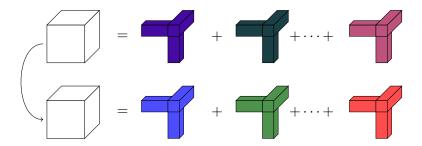


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  - Is a major source of errors itself (Souloumiac 2009).

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Non-orthogonal simultaneous diagonalization

$$\underbrace{\mathcal{T}(I,I,w_1)}_{M_1} = \underbrace{(w_1^\top u_1)}_{\lambda_{11}} u_1 u_1^\top + \underbrace{(w_1^\top u_2)}_{\lambda_{21}} u_2 u_2^\top + \underbrace{(w_1^\top u_3)}_{\lambda_{31}} u_3 u_3^\top$$

No unique non-orthogonal factorization for a single matrix.

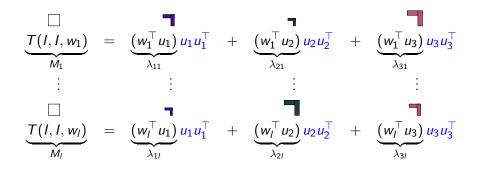
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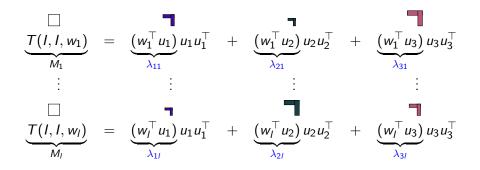
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- $\blacktriangleright \geq 2$  matrices have a unique non-orthogonal factorization.
- **Note:**  $\lambda_{il}$  are factor weights, not eigenvalues.

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- Optimize using the QR1JD algorithm (Souloumiac 2009).
  - Only guaranteed to have local convergence.

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